

parents desire religious instruction for their children in a certain school, or that Presbyterians, Methodists, or Baptists, are the first to take advantage of the new provision of the law...

One danger to be guarded against is that of the law not being carried out; indeed, some persons who are warm in their approval of the agreement are already saying that its provisions in regard to religious instruction will not be carried into effect.

Religious instruction must be made very attractive and interesting if it is to have the desired effect at the close of the day when the fatigued pupils are impatient to leave the school room.

Further care must be taken not to create the impression in the minds of the children that their regular teachers are lacking in the qualifications of character or intellect required for teaching religion.

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NOT DEAD BUT SLEEPETH.

To the Editor of the Sault Ste. Marie Courier:

Sir—The "Express" of the 21st inst. devoted one glowing column to the Manitoba school question. The article was headed "Under the Sod," and evidently written whilst the young editor was exploring flowery arbours in dream-land.

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Now to be serious in respect to this new legal compromise or whatever else it may be termed it is certainly to settlement of the question as none of the lost rights are restored to the minority. Whilst constitutional guarantees and stipulations are being completely ignored and even did the late dictator provide for the restoration of the privileges lost it would not be a final settlement of the question.

As to the praise meted out to the two Honorable Premiers for their attendance at the funeral obsequies of the little urchin "about a week ago," let it be fully accorded them if the thing be really buried as it becomes.

The Premier of Manitoba to try and put this disturbing and wayward nursing out of the way. It is well known that Mr. Greenway and Mr. Sifton were responsible sponsors present and there were by proxy, whilst Mr. Martin was the legal, if not the legitimate parent of the bad boy that has for the past six years so disturbed our whole people and country...

The one who supposes the question finally settled is laboring under a delusion. I imagine a group of clergymen marching up to a village school at 3:30 p. m. to teach the Gospel cording to their different lights, in accordance with the provision of this silly compromise.

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Yours, etc., SCEPTIC. Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Nov. 25th, 1896.

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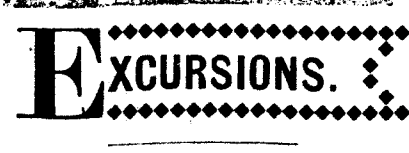
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